

MEMORANDUM FOR CHIEF, NATIONAL GUARD BUREAU

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Upon reviewing Attachment 1, it has been determined that the Naval Reserve (NR) can support and assist in the following potential roles.

a. Augment C4I Infrastructure (Role 16) - Naval Reserve Activities (NRAs), Mobile Ashore Support Terminal (MAST) units, and Explosive Ordnance Detachment (EOD) communications vans could augment local C4I requirements. The Navy Emergency Preparedness Liaison Officers (NEPLOs) support this role through the Defense Coordinating Officer (DCO).

b. Augment Incident Command Personnel (Role 23) - Full Time Support (FTS) and/or Selected Reservists (SELRES) could augment relief personnel at the discretion of the Incident Commander. The Navy Emergency Preparedness Liaison Officers (NEPLOs) support this role through the Defense Coordinating Officer (DCO).

c. Assist Assessing Threat Information (Role 25) - NR Intelligence personnel can assist in threat information analysis.

d. Assist Public Information Distribution (Role 27) - NR Public Affairs personnel can assist in public information distribution.

e. Assist Management of Media Requests (Role 28) - NR Public Affairs personnel can assist in management of media requests.

f. Responder and Victim Critical Incident Stress Management (Role 33) - NR Chaplains and medical personnel can assist in responder and victim stress management.

g. Track Exposed Individuals (Role 34) - NR medical personnel can assist local hospitals in tracking exposed individuals.

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h. Assist Mass Casualty Response (Role 35) - NR medical personnel can assist, however, all NR Fleet Hospital equipment is prepositioned and would not be available.

i. Augment Physical Security (Role 36) - NR Law Enforcement Physical Security (LEPS) and Command, Control, and Communication (CCC) units can support local physical security requirements.

j. Refugee Management (Role 40) - NR Naval Mobile Construction Battalions (NMCB) and Expeditionary Logistic Support Force (ELSF) units could assist with mess facilities, temporary housing, and other support services.

k. Support Urban Search and Rescue (Role 44) - Explosive Ordnance Detachment (EOD) Area Search Detachments (ASD) can perform underwater search. EOD Ordnance Clearance Detachments (OCD) can perform limited location and identification, but not render ordnance safe.

l. Augment WMD Detection, Reconnaissance, Assessment, and Monitoring (Role 45) - NR EOD personnel could augment local and/or National Guard personnel in Chem-Bio decontamination.

m. Assist Mass Evacuation Operations (Role 47) - NR LEPS and CCC units could augment local capabilities in crowd control.

n. Emergency Medical Air Transport (Role 54) - NR Fleet Logistic Support Squadrons (FLELOGSUPPRON) could augment/assist medical heavy lift air transport requirements.

o. Bulk and Heavy Load Ground Transportation (Role 55) - NR NMCB five ton trucks could augment bulk and heavy ground transport.

p. Civil Engineering Support (Role 56) - NR NMCB could provide advice, personnel, and equipment for civil engineering support requirements.

q. Provide Emergency Power and Lighting (Role 62) - NR NMCB units could augment emergency power and lighting requirements.

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r. Provide Air Transportation for Supplies & Personnel (Role 63) - NR FLELOGSUPPRON could augment/assist on-call air transportation requirements.

s. Augment Law Enforcement Support (Role 64) - NR LEPS and CCC units could augment local capabilities.

t. Provide Heavy Equipment and Operators (Role 65) - NR NMCB units could assist/augment heavy equipment and heavy equipment operator requirements.

u. Manage Distribution of Mass Care Supplies (Role 66) - NR FTS and SELRES personnel could assist with transportation and distribution of mass care supplies.

v. Provide Bed-down Facilities for Emergency Responders (Role 67) - NR NMCB and ELSF units could assist with building and operating mess facilities, temporary housing, and other support services.

w. Provide Ground Transportation for Supplies and Personnel (Role 68) - NR NMCB five-ton trucks could augment ground transportation for movement of personnel, supplies, and infrastructure.

In all of the roles the Naval Reserve could assist other Reserve Components and local capabilities. Determining whether the Naval Reserve could complete any role on its own would depend on the size and location of any incident. My point of contact is CDR William M. Malia, N953D, 703-601-1809.

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Attachments:

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